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Surfing on Lake Erie



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Fort Erie resident John Fulton will compete in the North Shore Stand Up paddle board event this weekend. The event kicks off in Port Colborne and finishes in Crystal Beach.

➤ Hundreds of people expected to compete in North Shore Standup this weekend

Sarah Ferguson
Fort Erie Times

There's nothing John Fulton says he loves more than catching some waves on Lake Erie.

"It (Lake Erie) is an amazing resource that we have (in Fort Erie)," the 54 year-old Fort Erie resident said.

Fulton is no stranger to riding on Lake Erie. He is well known to Fort Erie residents as Surfing Santa. Each year, Fulton puts on a Santa suit to embark on a windsurfing trip from the Canadian shores of Lake Erie to the U.S. shoreline in Buffalo.

He makes his journey to raise awareness of homelessness in the Niagara region.

But Saturday, Fulton will take a windsurfing trip for another reason. Fulton will be one of many participants competing in the 2nd annual North Shore Standup.

Organizer Katherine Balpataty says the event will attract anywhere from 30 to 50 paddlers from across Ontario and the U.S.

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Paddle board event will launch at Nickel Beach

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Registration for the event will be held from 7:30 a.m. to 9 a.m. and the race will begin at 10 a.m.

"We will be launching at Nickel Beach in Port Colborne," Balpataky says.

The participants of the five km route will finish at Centennial Park on Cedar Bay Rd., the 10 kilometre route will finish at Pleasant Beach and the 20 km route will finish at Crystal Beach at about 3 p.m.

In case of inclement weather, a rain date has been scheduled for Sunday.

The event will conclude with an awards ceremony and a barbecue.

Balpataky says everyone is welcome to join the beach party at the Palwood at Crystal Beach at the end of the event.

Volunteers are also available to ensure transporta-

tion for paddlers to and from their vehicles after the event.

The friendly competition will raise funds for the freshwater coastline. Proceeds from the event will support Carolinian Canada's Lake Erie Coastal Stewardship EcoTrail. The Erie Coastal Stewardship EcoTrail highlights natural and cultural treasures of Canada's coastline from Essex to Niagara. The EcoTrail, Balpataky said holds "promise for re-invigorating tourism to the area."

Balpataky says the event is geared toward endurance paddlers "who are charging up the sport."

Those who are new to the sport are also welcome to "dip a toe" as the paddle board competition features routes of various lengths.

On shore events include guided hike of Marcy's Woods by the Bert Miller Nature Club on Sunday at



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John Fulton said Lake Erie has "ocean-like waves" and the lake is an important resource to Fort Erie.

10 a.m., and beach restoration activities with a local surf club.

Darryl Austin, owner of Ausmosis Style on Board in Port Dahousie, is sponsoring the event.

He says standup

paddle boarding is gaining popularity and the surf community in Niagara is "truly special."

"Standup paddle has absolutely exploded over the last decade, and it will only continue to grow, because it is exhilarating to stand on water, whether that water is flat or you are

riding waves; and people of all paddling capabilities can do it," he says.

For more information visit online at www.north-shoresandup.ca or call Balpataky at 519-222-1178.

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New owners of Fort Erie Track property introduced to media

Tony Ricciuto
QMI Agency Niagara

The new owners of the Fort Erie Race Track property have big plans for that parcel of land, but no specific details were released on last Tuesday when a group of those investors were introduced to the media.

Part of that plan might include a hotel development, but no one is confirming that information including Carl Paladino, one of the new owners who purchased the 338-acre property and adjoining vacant land from the Nordic Gaming Corporation.

"We are hotel developers," said Paladino, following the press conference, while outside enjoying a hot dog before the start of Tuesday's races.

Paladino is an American businessman and political activist from Buffalo, New York. He is the founder and chairman of Elliott Development Company, a real estate development company he founded in 1973.

He is also a Republican and ran for governor of New York in the 2010 election, but lost to Democrat Andrew Cuomo.

The other business partners include Bill Mosey, David Kompson and Joel Castile.

The new investors have not disclosed the purchase price for the property.

One thing that was made clear during last Tuesday's press conference is that the new owners have a passion for the Buffalo-Fort Erie-Niagara area and they have a track record for getting things done.

"We're developers, we make things, our feet hit the ground running and we also have a passion for our area," said Paladino, who

noted that something needs to be done by governments on both sides of the border so that visitors can get across the Peace Bridge in a more timely fashion.

"It's a possibility when people have to sit on that bridge for two or three hours. It's unacceptable," he said. The more people we can get across that bridge the better for everybody."

Jim Thibert, general manager of the Fort Erie Economic Development and Tourism Corporation, said they can see their market just across the Peace Bridge, they just have to get those visitors across the border.

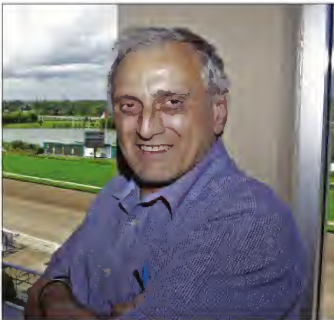
"We welcome these developers with open arms," said Thibert, who is also the CEO of the Fort Erie Live Racing Consortium, which operates the horse racing business.

The new owners plan to keep the 117-year-old track open and there should be no direct or immediate effect on the FELRC, which had been leasing the property from Nordic for about \$400,000 annually.

Fort Erie Mayor Doug Martin said it's going to make a difference now that the

property has owners who have a connection with this area. "We see this as the begin-

ning of a new era," said Martin.



MIKE DIBATTISTA QMI Agency Niagara
Carl Paladino of Buffalo N.Y., one of the buyers of the Fort Erie Race Track and surrounding 338-acre property, spoke to the media on Aug. 12.

Paladino said if there are any other investors who have any ideas for the property he would like to hear from them.

He noted this project will take a bit of time, possibly in the five year range, but things are definitely going to happen here.

"We have never started anything that we haven't finished," he said. "The opportunities here are unbelievable."

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Thousands of soldiers invade Niagara

Allan Benner
QMI Agency Niagara

"This is home," Warrant Officer Derek Christensen said.

"It's good to see all the army coming to Niagara." The Lincoln and Welland Regiment military regiment conducts

regular training exercises, but it's not often they get to team up with troops from across the province, in addition to soldiers from the U.S. and United Kingdom.

They're all in Niagara for Exercise Stalwart Guardian, a massive training exercise.

"It's a bigger scope of training, certainly," Christensen said. "We have what really is the reserve army of Ontario in Niagara here."

And the Niagara-based soldiers "are pretty excited" to be part of it.

"They're motivated to see this right in their backyards—literally for some people. They're excited to see this level, to take place in our backyard, as it were," Mair said the local regiment isn't considered the host of the exercise.

"It's interesting," said Cpl. Kevin Fisher, a Welland resident with the Lincoln and Welland Regiment. "This is the same training area that we use on a regular basis, so now being able to do the same things that we do every week on a much higher scale is interesting to see how it all works."

"Usually, we just pretend that someone else is there. It will be cool to actually have other peo-

ple on the ground. It's going to be a lot of fun."

Major Bruce Mair, second in command of the Lincoln and Welland Regiment, said the exercise is being co-ordinated by the 4th Canadian Division—a military organization in charge of brigades across the province.

And although "it just happens to be taking place in our backyard, as it were," Mair said the local regiment isn't considered the host of the exercise.

Nevertheless, he said as many as 50 local reservists are participating in the exercise -- filling a quota required by 4th Division organizers.

In doing so, they're participating in an exercise unlike anything Christensen has seen in 30 years serving with the reserves, including seven years with the Lincoln and Welland Regiment.

"It's never happened at this scope. We may

have done one-or two-week training periods, but it's usually on an (army) base."

But holding a week-long training exercise in the communities adds to its realism.

"A lot of the army bases are fields and forests with the occasional buildings. They don't really represent the real world if you were in any country, unless it was just forest," he said.

"This operation is supposed to represent an invasion of Canada, so I guess being in a real community is where we'd be operating. It adds to the realism."

The scenario -- an attack on the Welland Canal also mirrors the reality of both the First and Second World Wars, when military troops, including the Lincoln and Welland Regiment, were stationed along the waterway -- protecting the area from potential attack.

Considering the current exercise, it could still be considered a potential target.

"Anybody who lives here knows the canal is a pretty important transportation link," he said.

In a media release, Minister of National Defence Rob Nicholson said the exercise provides "a unique opportunity to train in local communities and their communities as required," added Nicholson, MP for Niagara Falls.

Through the training, the soldiers "develop combat effective units capable of responding to a multitude of threats, including the provision of rapid and effective assistance to Canadian citizens and their communities as required," added Nicholson, MP for Niagara Falls.

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If you have ever packed up and moved before, you know it isn't much fun.

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But after all of the packing and the heavy lifting, moving into a new office can be rewarding.

The Fort Erie Times has a bright, cheery new office at 336 Central Ave. If you're not sure where that is, the building is near the corner of Gilmore Ave., right by the Fort Erie Public Library's Centennial branch.

We moved out of our old office on Garrison Rd. last Wednesday, and we re-opened our doors at our new office on Monday.

While we were moving, there were plenty of hiccups and bumps along the way. You may have tried to reach us and the phone just rang and rang (Opps! A hiccup).

But, we know this community took this all in stride and we welcome you to visit our new office.

We've had a lot of people pop in while we were setting up our new office last week.

Many people wanted to know what was going on while we organized our new office, and these visitors were glad to see the Fort Erie Times set up shop in such an ideal location.

Some people have asked what has happened to Shirley Anne, of Shirley Anne's florist.

She's not here anymore, but she's happily retired we've been told.

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Do You Remember?

Unfortunately, we received no calls or e-mails about the Royal Canadian Sea Cadets from last week's Do You Remember photo.

Please remember that we always keep these photos here at the Fort Erie Historical Museum for identification.

Correction to the previous week's photo of the two firefighters from Fire Co. No. 6. They were left to right, 1982 president Allan Everett presenting Ken Thompson with his past president's pin in recognition of his many years of service as a social officer and president.

This week's photo of army cadets has the name "Shannon Smith" and the date, 1981 on the back.

If you know which one is Shannon or any of the other fine cadets, please call the Fort Erie Historical Museum at 905-894-5322 or e-mail museum@forterie.on.ca.

letters to the editor

Reader grateful for quick response after storm

Dear Editor,

My family and I would like to thank the firefighters of Central Station and the workers of Canadian Niagara Power for their prompt response to a dangerous situation that arose on Aug. 12.

The trunk of a large tree in our rear yard snapped in the high winds that we experienced, fell onto, and shattered an adjacent hydro pole and caused a transformer to burst into flames.

Power in the neighbourhood was disconnected.

The fire department responded within in minutes. The firefighters ensured that the area was safe and warned those in the vicinity to stay clear until the hydro workers were able to repair the damage.

CNP crews arrived and worked throughout the night to clear the various wires, remove the broken pole, erect a new pole and reconnect power.

In the morning, and the following days, crews from Pinetree Tree service, Pines Excavating and Lawns n' Moare attended to clean up debris and restore the property damage in a very efficient fashion.

These men and women are a credit to our community and are to be com-

mended for their professionalism, dedication and commitment to their work.

The firefighters in particular are well recognized as volunteers in the service of our community.

Thank you all.

Wayne Redekop
Fort Erie

Canada needs dementia strategy

Dear Editor,

I have a 43-year-old teacher volunteering on my campaign for a national dementia plan because, astonishingly, Matt's wife who is 45 is already in

secure, long-term care with the illness (Frontotemporal dementia, FTD).

They have three children -14, 12 and 10. About 15 per cent of the 750,000 Canadians living with dementia are under 60 years old.

When you also realize that people with dementia have on average three or four caregivers, that means dementia is already directly affecting at least 3 million Canadians. Those numbers will quadruple in a generation.

Those big numbers may not mean as much to us as the people we actually know with the disease or acting as their caregiver - a family member, friend, neighbour or work colleague.

My private member's bill for a national dementia plan (C-356) will be debated in the House of Commons late this year.

I urge you to contact your local MPs this summer so they know voters in their riding back a national strategy and federal leadership working with provincial and municipal partners. This strategy will deliver research, early diagnosis and intervention, support for caregivers, workforce training for the workforce, and strengthening the integration of primary, home and community care. I like to say Alzheimer's and related dementia diseases are non-partisan.

We will need non-partisan solutions. I believe Members of

Parliament from all parties should back a national dementia strategy but it will help their decision knowing voters in their ridings support this.

On my website you can find more information on my bill as well as a petition to print that, with a minimum of 25 signatures, your MP or I can present to Parliament this fall. (www.claudegravelle.ca or email claudgravelle@parl.gc.ca)

Canada is one of the few G8 countries without a national dementia strategy. Please contact your MP and together let's change that.

Claude Gravelle
MP Nickel Belt

opinion page

Get help with your Ipad, eReaders and more at the library

Any new situation may prompt questions or concerns, and the Fort Erie Public Library is your go-to place to find advice or assistance.

For example, users of iPads, eReaders, Androids and more: tech help is available at the Centennial branch of the library this afternoon at 2 p.m.

Systems Administrator Michael Schell offers "Speak to a Geek", a drop-in session designed to get you through the questions that arise when you turn on a new device for reading, internet use or other tasks and pastimes.

Just as adults bring their electronics to "Speak to a Geek" afternoons, young people fac-



Amy Roebuck
Fort Erie Public Library

ing a new school year and the possibility of spending a few hours at home alone each day can bring any anxieties to the St. John Ambulance Home Alone program on Friday, Aug. 29, beginning at 12:30 p.m. at the Centennial branch of the library.

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playing and interactive games, they will learn strategies and develop the confidence to feel safe and secure in their newly independent after school hours.

Please call St. John Ambulance at 905-356-7340 to register or for more information.

Home Alone is for ages eight and up.

Hugo Cabret is a fictional twelve year old boy who is surviving on his own in Paris at the turn of the twentieth century.

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He will be shown at the Centennial branch

tomorrow, August 22 at 10:30 a.m. and Saturday, Aug. 23 at 2:30 p.m.

There are just three more screenings of *The Lego Movie* in this summer's lineup.

One of the final summer matinees is this afternoon at the Crystal Ridge branch at 2:30 p.m., and again on Monday, Aug. 25 at 6 p.m. at the Centennial branch, and next Thursday, August 28 for a Crystal Ridge matinee are the others.

We encourage all the children who received free passes as part of their summer reading membership to use them before time runs out.

Flushed Away is the last of our summer family movie matinees.

Featuring the voice talents of Hugh Jackman, Kate Winslet and Ian McKellan, *Flushed* is an animated comedy adventure about an uptown London rat who gets flushed from his penthouse into the sewers and has to learn a new way of life.

It will play on Wednesday, August 27 at 2:30 p.m. at the Crystal Ridge branch, and at the Centennial branch on Aug. 29 at 10:30 a.m. and on Aug. 30 at 2:30 p.m.

A lot has been said and written about Russell Crowe's film *Noah*, starring Crowe, Emma Watson, Jennifer Connelly and Anthony Hopkins.

Is it an action film, a Bible story, or something

in between?

We invite you to decide for yourself this evening at the Centennial branch and Tuesday, Aug. 26 at 2 p.m. at the Crystal Ridge branch.

Tonight's screening will start promptly at 6:30 p.m. as it is two hours and twenty minutes in length.

The movies shown at the library are available in the DVD collection. You can place a hold on them by visiting our website www.fepl.ca.

Amy Roebuck is the community services coordinator at the Fort Erie Public Library.

Plato: weekly trip reveals Black crowned Night Heron

We travel the Niagara Parkway quite often because it is a beautiful drive.

One year we saw the colourful Harlequin male duck and his mate near Nicholl's Marina in south Port Erie.

Actually we were looking for the Bald eagle. In winter time Elaine and I saw the majestic bird perched in a giant river willow near Black Creek. This year on a weekly trip we headed north along the Parkway.

It was a Bald eagle watch. As we approached the Black Creek bridge we saw it. A large bird was perched in a willow. Slow down!

Then I recognized the bird - a Black-Crowned Night Heron.

Hey, this was mid-morning.

As its name implies it is mainly nocturnal. Other ones I have seen in day-



Earl Plato

light on Miller's Creek are in the reed beds or roosting in nearby trees. Its a good sized bird - medium sized compared to the Great Blue.

It has a rather short neck and of course a black crown.

Wait until dusk or night and listen.

I had grandson, Luke O'Brien, describe the bird he had seen up north. Luke mimicked the bird's call. I knew what it was—the Black-crowned night heron. I showed him a Peterson

profile and played the bird's call.

"That's it, grandpa!" Listen to the harsh, barking quawk.

Approach their sites at nesting time and you will hear a great deal of croaking, barking and screaming calls.

Unforgettable and they live locally.

We just returned mid-August from visiting McGregor Provincial Park near Port Elgin on Lake Huron.

On their handout were the images of two of their common visitors, the Great White Egret and yes, the Black-Crowned Night Heron.

We saw the egret that day in a park pond.

A great nature environment. Worth the visit.

Earl Plato is an author and resident of Fort Erie.



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Campground owners battle the Emerald Ash Borer

Sarah Ferguson
Fort Erie Times

The emerald ash borer is destroying business for campground owners like Michael Miller.

Miller, who owns Knight's Hide-Away Park on Gorham Rd., says "no help is available for anyone to save the trees" from the emerald ash borer, a beetle that attacks all species of true ash trees.

The beetle, which is native to China and eastern Asia, was discovered in Windsor in 2002.

Miller says he is lucky because 40% of the trees on his campground are oak, and other varieties of trees.

Although losing his population of ash trees would be devastating, Miller says at least his campground wouldn't be completely bare if the emerald ash borer took all of his ash trees.

Miller met Fonthill arbourist Andrew Cook last month, and he is working with Cook to develop a forest management strategy plan.

With Cook's help, Miller will meet 23 of his ash trees from the emerald ash borer.

Cook is qualified to inject an insecticide called TreeAzin into an ash tree to help control the beetle. The insecticide was developed by the Canadian Forester Service in partnership with BioForest Technologies.

The arbourist injected 23 ash trees with the insecticide at Miller's park.

"I'm injecting 23 trees (with TreeAzin) but I might be sav-

ing 60 trees," he says.

Once a tree has been injected with TreeAzin, Cook says the insecticide spreads to the entire tree, from roots to leaves.

If an emerald ash borer beetle tries to eat the leaves of an ash tree injected with TreeAzin, the beetles will be repelled from eating it. The protected trees may encourage the beetle to move to another location, bypassing other ash trees.

The campground business is more difficult for Jerry Giammatto.

Giammatto, who owns Windmill Point Park in Ridgeway, says ash trees make up about 80% of his campground's tree population.

Giammatto, who took over the business from his father, says he's doing everything he can to protect his ash trees.

"It (the emerald ash borer) is so destructive. What bothers me is that there is no help out there," he says.

"You can't put a price on it (saving ash trees)."

Giammatto has been working with Cook to protect the ash trees that he can, while planting a variety of other trees to replace the ash trees he's already lost.

"We've lost about 10 trees because they weren't good specimens to save."

According to Giammatto, the cost of removing a dead ash tree is about "several hundred dollars."

Cook, who owns Andrew's Tree and Shrub Care in



Knight's Hide-Away Park owner Michael Miller watches as Fonthill arbourist Andrew Cook injects an ash tree at Miller's campgrounds with an insecticide called TreeAzin. TreeAzin is a Canadian-made insecticide that protects against the emerald ash borer.

Fonthill, says Fort Erie residents should be concerned about their population of ash trees.

About 80% of Fort Erie's tree population are ash trees, according to Cook.

"What people need to realize is within the next few years, Fort Erie and the rest of Niagara will lose two generations of ash trees," he says.

Cutting down healthy ash

trees before they become infected isn't an answer, says Cook.

"It's more cost effective to save the tree than to cut it down."

Cook says it also takes 50 years or more, depending on the variety of tree, to grow tall.

TreeAzin can only be injected between May 1 and Aug. 31 as a preventative measure.

Cook is frustrated by the limited deadline to inject trees with the insecticide.

"According to the government, the beetle stops flying on Aug. 31 at midnight."

If ash trees are left untreated, they become "beetle factories" for the hungry emerald ash borer.

Once an ash tree has become infected, Cook says it will die with two years. After

an ash tree dies, it becomes dangerous, because "it falls over fast."

He says if municipalities such as Fort Erie don't do something now to protect the trees, Niagara will look bare.

For more information about the emerald ash borer and the preservation of ash trees, call Cook at 905-327-4121.

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The Butterflies golf for Hats of Hope



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The Queen of Clubs, a local fundraising committee, hosted its annual Hats of Hope Golf Tournament at the Fort Erie Golf Club last Friday. The tournament raised money to purchase hats for women and men with cancer. From left, Team Butterfly members Julia Piper, Judy Bernabower, Linda Bouw, Mary Lou Hannah, Linda Mies, Marsha Haldebrand, Laurie Bennett and Sue Demizio participated in the annual event and dressed in spirit wear to match their team's name.

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Fort Erie mom gives back to her community

Sarah Ferguson
Fort Erie Times

As a single mom, Mindy Levell knew what it was like to struggle.

It wasn't always easy, but Levell made sure her kids were fed and had clothes to wear.

Sometimes she had to rely on help from others.

When Levell found herself in a position to be able to give back to the community, she decided she wanted to do something to help others who struggled just like she did.

The Fort Erie resident began a holiday basket program in

2010 to provide assistance for families in need at Easter time.

The Fort Erie resident said many people often provide assistance at Christmas time, but they don't think about Easter.

That's why Levell used her husband's large tax return to buy 15 Easter baskets and she filled them with goodies. Levell ended up helping

more than 60 children in that first year thanks to support from the community.

Levell has since expanded the holiday basket program and renamed it the Niagara Area Children's Assistance Program last year.

Levell says the local charity has since expanded and offers items at Thanksgiving, children's stockings at Christmas time and a back-to-

school program in September.

The program is also hoping to collect old gaming systems such as Nintendo, Super Nintendo, Game Boys and Xboxes.

Levell got the idea to begin collecting old gaming systems one year when someone had donated an old Xbox and some games.

"I thought no one would want them," Levell says. But she admits she was wrong about no one wanting the old gaming system.

"One Christmas, a family had asked a volunteer if an old system someone had donated was part of the gifts they could

choose from," she says.

"When they were told they could get it, the parents started crying. They said their boys have never had a gaming system before."

Levell says "most kids nowadays" have a gaming system.

"I'd say about 99% of kids these days have one, and for the kids that don't, they may feel left out, or they don't feel as equal."

That's why Niagara Area Children's Assistance program is asking individuals to donate old gaming systems that they are no longer using.

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SARAH FERGUSON Fort Erie Times
Mindy Levell created the Niagara Children's Area Assistance Program four years ago. She says the program fills a gap that is needed in Niagara. The program provides holiday baskets to children at Easter, stockings at Christmas time and back to school assistance to children in need.

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Demizio says people need to 'get involved' in the community

Sarah Ferguson
Fort Erie Times

Dean Demizio believes it is important to be an active member of society.

"My philosophy is one where people need to get involved," he says.

That's why Demizio has chosen to run for the Fort Erie mayor's seat in the upcoming Oct. 27 municipal election.

Demizio's opponents include former councillor Richard Berry, former councillor Shawn McCoey, former councillor Anne-Marie Noyes, Ward 1 Coun. Stephen Passero and former mayor Wayne Redekop.

The Fort Erie resident is past president of the Greater Fort Erie Youth Soccer Club and the Greater Fort Erie Chamber of Commerce.

Although he hasn't served on council before, Demizio says his work experience would be an asset if he is elected mayor. He says his connections as a businessman and chamber member would help foster partnerships for the Town of Fort Erie.

"I have met with many people across the border in the U.S., and I know all the mayors of the southern tier," he says.

During his time serving the chamber of commerce, Demizio has also met representatives from all levels of government. It's these relationships, Demizio says, that could help projects in Fort Erie be put on the fast track to completion.

Demizio has a list of concerns he would like to address if he is elected to serve Fort Erie.

His first concern is of the state of health care in the community.

"I'm looking forward to seeing the new hospital be built in Niagara Falls but I am concerned about the Douglas Memorial Hospital Site," he says.

"When the new speedway comes, how do we service people at the speedway?"

According to Demizio, it's important for Fort Erie's newest council to fight to ensure that the town "maintains its urgent care facility."

The mayoral candidate thinks there isn't enough



Dean Demizio

being done to attract motorists travelling down the Queen Elizabeth Way to Fort Erie.

"When you're driving down the QEW, there is nothing to identify you're in Ontario, let alone Fort Erie. We're the gateway to Canada. We've got to brag about Fort Erie."

Demizio says he left a management job at a pharmaceutical company to become an insurance salesman in Fort Erie.

He set up shop at State Farm Insurance on the corner of Garrison and Dayna Rds., in the early 1990s and hasn't looked back since.

"I left a good job because I saw Fort Erie. I saw the diamond in the rough."

He always wanted to live in Fort Erie because he thought it "was a great place to work and raise a family."

Demizio says he loves sales and "dealing with people."

Demizio believes running a business is similar to serving as mayor.

"As a businessman, I need

to offer value. We need to make sure there's value for customers."

It's also important for Demizio to ensure Fort Erie residents are up-to-date with the goings-on at town hall.

"As a chamber president, I started Chamber News which consisted of online videos on YouTube," he says.

"I don't see why we can't do the same thing with town news," he adds.

Demizio says council needs "a strong leader."

If he's elected, Demizio says he will encourage council to make decisions that benefit the most residents.

"In my experiences, I've learned to manage different personalities and to find a common thread so we could all work together," he says.

"I'll do my best, and as a council, we'll do what's best for Fort Erie. If there are disagreements, we build on them and work together."

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Program provides back to school assistance

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Leveille says she is currently going through the process of registering the Niagara Children's Area Assistance Program as a non-profit organization.

She is also looking for a location to operate the program out of because she doesn't have enough

space to store all of the items that are to be given to families during holidays.

"We have a storage unit that was donated, but the person who has donated it is pulling out and I don't know what I am going to do," Leveille says.

"There is a huge waiting list for other storage facilities in Fort Erie."

Leveille currently operates the program out of her own home and "it can be overwhelming at times."

Leveille says her house is filled with items that are to be given to families in need in addition to the items in storage.

"This project has literally taken over my entire

house," she says.

If anyone is interested in helping Leveille find a new home for the program, Leveille encourages people to call her.

For more information about the Niagara Area Children's Assistance Program call Leveille at 289-320-8613 or e-mail nacap@outlook.com.

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Brick for a coworker

A brick for my coworker. She always eats at her desk and chews loudly.

Brick for people who swear in front of children

A brick for the young boy who swore in front of my grandchildren. I took the kids to the park as I usually do when I have them over on Saturdays. I have a four-year-old and a five-year-old who look forward to going to the park with their grandmother. You would think that a park would be a safe place to bring your children, or grand children but I guess not. I was waiting for my grand daughter to slide down the slide when I heard this young man yell out a bad word as loudly as he could. I don't know what kind of world we are living in, but I don't think it is right for a child to say such things. What happened to the "good old days" when youngsters were respectable

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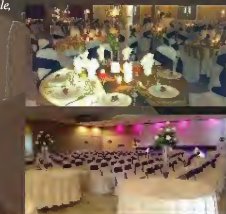
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The tenders will then be opened in public on the same day at The Municipal Centre, Conference Room 1 at 3:05 p.m.

Description of Land(s)	Min. Tender Amount
ROYAL YORK RD SS, PLAN 107 LOT 96 TO LOT 100 CORNER 0.74AC 253.12FR 131.91D, PIN 64448-0083(LT) ROLL NUMBER 2703 020 010 72300	\$3,654.48
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RICHMOND AVE ES, PLAN 140 LOT 581 LOT 582 NP480 IRREG 0.19AC 80.80FR 104.03D, PIN 64467-0083(LT) ROLL NUMBER 2703 020 010 98324	\$3,134.84
LIVINGTON AVE WS, PLAN 140 LOT 667 TO LOT 669 NP480 REG 0.29AC 120.00FR 105.00D, PIN 64446-0037(LT) ROLL NUMBER 2703 020 010 98413	\$2,496.29
GLORIA RD 469, PLAN 157 LOT 22 NP497 REG 0.26AC 100.00FR 114.00D, PIN 64202-0064(LT) ROLL NUMBER 2703 020 010 99203	\$9,731.56
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MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS 2014

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All applications must be filed in person at the Clerk's Office. Completion of an election-related test is mandatory.

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Herb McGirr always put Fort Erie first

Tony Ricciuto
OMI Agency Niagara

The town of Fort Erie has lost one of its biggest community supporters.

Herbert McGirr Sr., the former director of operations for the Fort Erie Race Track, died on Wednesday at the age of 72.

"We were connected because of the race track and other stuff, but more important is the wonderful friendship we had and I will remember that forever," said Nick Gonzalez Jr., a veteran trainer at both Fort Erie and Woodbine.

"In the trying times of Fort Erie, Herb McGirr played a major role in keeping that place going," said Gonzalez, who has only fond and happy memories of his good friend who was always in an upbeat mood with a big smile on his face.

"We were all talking about Herb around the barn in Fort Erie today," he added. "He was a real man's man and we were thinking about him with smiles, not sad-

ness but with smiles because that's the way he would want us to remember him."

He noted McGirr was a caring, giving individual, a good father and dedicated family man.

"I spent so much time at their house when I was a younger guy and first came around the race track. I got to know them so well," said Gonzalez. "I'm sad right now, but I'm always going to remember the look on his face and his time with me is always going to be special."

Fort Erie Mayor Doug Martin described McGirr as a "great guy who always worked hard to keep the track going. He was always dedicated to the town, would always put the community first, and tried to keep it moving forward. He was just an over-all good guy and will be missed by the town."

McGirr was involved in a number of local organizations including Community Living Fort Erie, had served as chairman of the Economic Development

Tourism Corporation, and had also served as a member of the Ontario Racing Commission.

Darryl Wells, former announcer at the track, said McGirr loved the sport, he was a horse player, horse owner and was also involved with management.

"He loved the Fort Erie Race Track and wanted to see it survive and succeed," said Wells. "I worked with him for quite awhile and we had some great times. We laughed, we joked and we were in it for the sport and for racing."

Funeral arrangements are handled by Benner Funeral Services, 1105 Benner Ave., Fort

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West Nile virus infected mosquitoes found

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The infected mosquitoes were found West Lincoln, however the health depart-

ment is urging all Niagara residents to take steps to protect themselves.

Niagara residents are being reminded by public health to wear long sleeves while outdoors, along with long pants with socks and shoes.

Using a mosquito repellent containing DEET — with a concentration no greater than 30% for adults and 10% for children — and draining all standing pools of stagnant water on your property are also recommended.

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For further information, the public health department can be reached at 905-688-8248, ext. 7335 or online at www.niagara-region.ca/health



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Dental hygienist encourages public to learn more about oral health care

Sarah Ferguson
Fort Erie Times

Not everyone maintains their oral health the way they should.

Sometimes, patients just don't feel comfortable receiving care in a dentist's office.

But dental hygienist Nancy Pearce, who has been a dental hygienist for 30 years, says there are options for people who are in need of oral care.

Pearce says its been about seven years since the government passed legislation that allows dental hygienists to work independent of a dentist.

Pearce is often asked what her role as a dental hygienist is. She says a dental hygienist can do "many of the same jobs as a dentist."

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says.

The list of service Pearce can offer include oral cancer screening, probing and recording pocket depths, dietary analysis, oral hygiene instruction, whitening, and fluoride treatment, and freezing. Pearce says these services are just a few of what a dental hygienist can offer.

However, dental hygienists can't take x-rays.

"When and if you need x-rays, that would be done by your dentists," she says.

A patient can still see his or her dentist while visiting a dental hygienist.

"Seeing a dental hygienist should not cause you to lose your dentist, nor should it compromise your relationship with your dentist in anyway," Pearce says.

"The change in legislation allows you to choose where and by whom you receive your preventative oral health care."

Dental hygienists are

able to refer patients to dentists or other health care practitioners as needed.

Pearce says there are a number of benefits to visiting a dental hygienist. One benefit is patients will work with the same dental hygienist every visit, which allows the patient and the dental hygienist to build a strong relationship.

Dental hygienists also have flexible hours and the atmosphere of a dental hygienist's office is different from a traditional dentist's office.

Pearce enjoys the work she does because she is able to help people in a one-on-one situation.

"I totally enjoy what I do," she says.

According to Pearce, a dental hygienist can take as much time as he or she needs on a patient because dental hygienists make their own schedules.

"I'm willing to work on patients as long as they



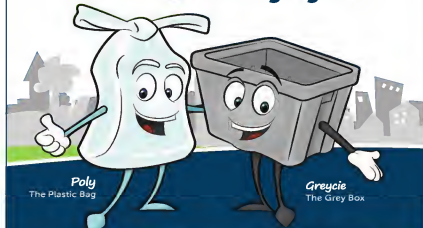
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80-year-old to ride in MS Bike Niagara

Allan Benner
CMI Agency Niagara

Community fundraising efforts are making a difference for people living with multiple sclerosis, said Port Colborne resident Larry Peyton.

"That's a major research going on in Saskatchewan, and hopefully ... Money raised through community activities like last weekend's MS Bike Niagara has contributed

to efforts to develop new treatments and ultimately a cure for the debilitating disease, he added.

Peyton is one of about 350 participants expected to participate in the regional bike ride next Sunday — an event that brings in about \$350,000 a year for MS research.

Peyton was 70 years old when he first decided to participate in MS Bike Niagara, a bicycle tour of Niagara communities

held to raise funds for multiple sclerosis research.

At the time, a close family member had recently been diagnosed with MS, and Peyton wanted to do something to help. He recalled seeing a story about MS Bike Niagara and decided to participate.

"I thought well, I've been riding a bicycle ever since The Tribune had delivery guys with bicycles many

years ago," he said. "I thought with a little bit of training, I could get in shape to do that."

He's participated in every ride since, single-handedly contributing more than \$27,000 to the cause.

Now, at 80 years old, Peyton is finally slowing down — a little.

Instead of riding his mountain bike for 70 km next weekend during the MS Bike Niagara, the Port Colborne resident his tak-

ing his family's advice and following the 40km route instead. It takes place next Sunday on the streets of Crystal Beach, Ridgeway and Port Erie.

"It's just a recreational ride, it's not a race," he added.

Nevertheless, Peyton has been spending a lot of time aboard his mountain bike in recent days, preparing for the event.

"For the last three months I've been on my

bike a little bit, but yesterday I started the long rides," he said.

Peyton's training takes him along the Friendship Trail to Ridgeway and back to Port Colborne.

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At 80 years old, Port Colborne's Larry Peyton is preparing to participate in his 10th consecutive MS Bike Niagara.

Peyton says cycling keeps him in shape

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During rides this week, Peyton plans to add to the distance he rides everyday so by the time the MS Bike Niagara arrives, he'll be ready for the 40-km trip.

Even when he's not training, Peyton said he prefers to ride

his bicycle.

"I ride four to five times a week. I'd rather ride downtown than drive downtown," he said. "It gives you the opportunity to see a little bit more."

He's not relegated to pavement on his bicycle, and can enjoy the scenery following the bike paths along the canal.

Besides raising money for a

good cause, Peyton said it helps keep him in shape.

"I've dropped a couple of pounds since the beginning of the week. It's working," he said.

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Meteors hopefuls put their skills to the test

Sarah Ferguson
Fort Erie Times

Rob Hubbert is looking for players who want to wear Meteors jerseys on their backs.

The Fort Erie Meteors' newest coach got his first look at Junior B hopefuls during the kickoff of training camp on Monday night at the Fort Erie Leisureplex.

Meteors training will continue for the next three weeks until the regular season begins, with the home opener on Sept. 10 against the Thorold Blackhawks.

"What I am looking for are kids who want to be here. I'm looking for people who are going to show up on time and get ready to work hard and have fun," he said.

"If you don't want to be here, then I don't want you here."

About 40 hopefuls lined up their skates and ventured out onto the ice for the first

time since the spring. Hubbert said it's difficult to tell yet who will make the team once the regular season is underway. He expects the team roster will be finalized by the first week of September.

"Many of the guys haven't skated in a while so they're getting back into it now," he said.

The majority of this year's crop of players vying for a spot on the team are first-timers, according to Hubbert.

"We have about eight returning players. But when you're building a team, you always want a mix of both old and new players."

Although he has more than 30 years of coaching experience under his belt, Hubbert admitted he has first time jitters picking Fort Erie's team.

"When I got here (Monday) I did feel jittery. It's very exciting to be part of a new

team."

Hubbert said he is looking forward to working with Meteors coaching staff Joe Fazio, Pierre Groulx and Dave Keracher and Kevin Dobrini.

He encourages Junior B fans to get their first taste of Meteors action Friday night when the Meteors host an exhibition game against the Long Island Royals at 8 p.m.

"We hope that the community of Fort Erie will back us," Hubbert said.

"We're the show in Fort Erie on Friday and Saturday nights. People should come and watch the Meteors play."

As he sat in the box seats in the arena Monday night, Keracher watched as the junior B hopefuls skated and performed scrimmages.

"We're trying to find players that play both ends and can look after our side also," Keracher said. "Some players stood out to him but it's



SARAH FERGUSON Fort Erie Times

The Fort Erie Meteors hit the ice Monday to begin training camp at the Fort Erie Leisureplex. The Meteors will compete in their first exhibition game Friday at 8 p.m. when host the Long Island Royals.

too early to tell.

"Some players haven't skated since last year and they're just dusting the cobwebs off now."

Groulx said he enjoys the pre-season because it's time when some players are just beginning to learn how to play junior B hockey.

"At this level of hockey,

some guys are just so raw," he said.

"They want to learn and they want to get better. That's the fun part," he added.

While preparing for the upcoming season, the Meteors will also host their annual golf tournament on Sunday, Sept. 7

The event will be a shot gun start at 1 p.m. with lunch and dinner included in the \$75 entry fee.

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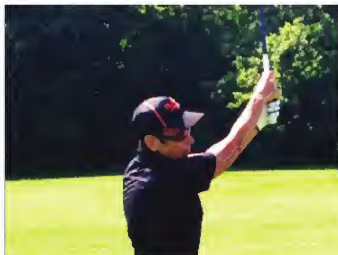
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Nick Kish has been a singer, songwriter and worship leader for over 10 years. According to Nick, great songs are born out of real life experiences. "During the most vulnerable times in my life, God has allowed the best songs to be birthed." For instance, Nick's wife Bethany became extremely ill soon after they were married. "We stood on God's truth. Psalm 46" says "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble." A miracle occurred when God intervened and potential "years" of sickness turned around in less than a month! Even so, Nick says it hasn't been an easy road. "It's not like you go through something and then you're back on your feet right away. But God gives us the strength for each day and I want to encourage others who are struggling to renew their faith, trust and hope."

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Rio Vista Golf Course brought back its club championships over the weekend. There were sparse turn-outs but the organizers said they expect it to continue to grow over the next few years. The women's champion was Wendy Wilson with 80-82 for an 18-hole total of 162 and Theresa Holmes with 87-84;171. Al Plato (pictured) won the senior men's with 85;77;162. There were no men's competitors, so Michael Pearce was declared club representative. The club champs are eligible for the Champion of Champions Tournament to decide Niagara Region winners.



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Organizer hopes to reschedule concert

➤ Lloyd McGuigan is looking for a new indoor venue to host Fort Erie Music Fest after the event was canceled due to poor weather

Sarah Ferguson
Fort Erie Times

Local musicians planned to rock the outdoor stage

at the Waterfront Park Pavilion on Saturday but Mother Nature had other plans.

Concert organizer Lloyd McGuigan said hundreds of people were expected to attend the 8th annual Fort Erie Music Fest in Crystal Beach on Saturday but the show was cancelled due to inclement weather.

"It's always a gamble when planning an outdoor concert. But it was raining and it was windy," McGuigan said.

"What was really sad was (Sunday) was gorgeous."

The free annual concert was expected to begin at noon and finish at 11 p.m.

The concert has become a tradition in Fort Erie that allows young musicians a chance to gain experience while performing original music.

McGuigan said he is "usually lucky" and the weather has been perfect for the last eight years.

McGuigan "was disappointed" because the cancellation of the event caused the Ridgeway and Crystal Beach Kinsmen to lose money.

"Even though you cancel an event, you still have to pay the sound guy, and the Kinsmen lost out because they were supposed to host a beer tent," he said.

McGuigan has set his sights on finding an indoor venue to host the concert.

"I'm expecting to see about 200 people at the concert when it's rescheduled. It won't be nothing like it is when it's in the summer, though" McGuigan said.

"But at least it will give a chance for the Kinsmen to make some of their money



It's always a gamble when planning an outdoor concert. But it was raining, and it was windy."

—Lloyd McGuigan

back."

McGuigan said he's also learned his lesson and will book the waterfront venue for two days instead of one just in case the show is rained out.

If anyone can help McGuigan find a new venue, he is asking to be contacted by e-mail at forteriemusicfest@yahoo.com or call him at 905-351-9758.

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Family of the late Barbara King, wish to thank Maria from Williams Funeral Home for her help during this difficult time, to all the nurses at Douglas Memorial Hospital for their wonderful care during our mother's stay, the CWL for helping with the luncheon and a special thank you to the Beach Group and to all our friends and family for their warm wishes, gifts and tributes.

The King Family

ROBLEY

The family of the late Marilyn Robley wish to thank all who helped out with our recent loss and Bereavement. Special thanks to Doctor One and wife Winnie, Father Jeff and Father Joe, Ladies of Saint Michaels Church, People of Saint Paul's Church Home Nurse Elizabeth, All Nurses and Staff at Douglas Memorial Hospital for their Special Care, Danen and Staff at Berners Funeral Home, All Pallbearers and Others who supplied food, sent Sympathy Cards and Messages or Assisted in any way.

With deep appreciation,
The Entire Robley Family

HUFFMAN, Louise - With saddened hearts the family of Louise Huffman announce her peaceful passing on August 13, 2014 at Gilmore Lodge in Fort Erie. Louise was born in Camper, Manitoba on September 14, 1921. Predeceased by her loving husband Warren (Pat) Huffman (1968), parents Marius and Jeanne Beroud, siblings John, Herve, Marian and Edward. Survived by children Sharon (Garvin) Del of Ridgeway, Jennie Smith of Hamilton, Pat (Karen) Huffman of Ridgeway and Mike (Shelia) Huffman of Edmonton Alberta; grandchildren Katherine, Marianne, Janice, Melanie, Wendy, Patrick, Steven, Kelly, Warren and Kieran; great grandchildren Ylan, Devon, Connor, as well as sister Theresa Busch of Ashern, Manitoba. Louise will be fondly remembered by her many nieces, nephews and friends. **WILLIAMS FUNERAL SERVICES**, 722 Ridge Rd., N, Ridgeway entrusted with arrangements. Visitation was held on Monday August 18th from 11:00-1:00 pm. A memorial service followed at 1:00 pm in the Williams Chapel. Internment followed at Ridgeway Memorial Cemetery. Many thanks to the wonderful staff of Gilmore Lodge for their care and compassion during Louise's stay. In lieu of flowers, donations would be appreciated and can be made to Gilmore Lodge Auxiliary.

McGIRR, Herbert Sr. - Herb passed away at the St. Catharines General Hospital on Wednesday August 13th, 2014 at the age of 72. Loving husband of Yvonne. Proud father of Kimberly (Joe) Muir, Herb McGirr Jr. and William (Meme) McGirr. Cherished grandfather of Joey, Karen, Megan and Gavin. Also survived by his sister Patricia (Guy) Giganti and his brother Ron (Joan) McGirr. His nieces and nephews and his many friends Herb was a proud and active member of the Fort Erie Community. He served as the Chair of the EDTC, Community Living Fort Erie and many other local organizations. Professionally, he was employed by and constantly championed the Fort Erie Racetrack and all it brought to Fort Erie and served as a member of the Ontario Racing Commission. **BENNER FUNERAL SERVICES**, 1105 Benner Ave., Fort Erie entrusted with arrangements. A service to celebrate Herb's life will take place in the Benner Funeral Chapel on Monday August 18th at 11 am. If so desired, donations to the Kidney Foundation or the Diabetes Association would be appreciated by the family.

RICHARDS, Eva - Born in Wales on April 14th, 1927 Eva passed peacefully at Maple Park Lodge on Tuesday August 12th, 2014 in her 88th year. Loving wife of 67 years to Windsor. Cherished mother of Windsor Jr., Bill (Marlene) and Brian. Sadly missed by her 6 grandchildren 6 great grandchildren and 2 great great grandchildren. The family thanks the caring and compassionate staff of Maple Park Lodge. **BENNER FUNERAL SERVICES**, 1105 Benner Ave Fort Erie, Ontario entrusted with private family arrangements. If so desired, donations to the Alzheimer's Association would be appreciated by the family.



The Family of **PAM FISHER** would like to thank all family, friends and co-workers for their love and support during this difficult time. Your cards, food, flowers and kind words were truly appreciated. This Town is a wonderful place to live and we thank you all sincerely.

Jin Fisher and Family

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MIL0, Douglas Paul Jr. - 06/16/14 - 08/13/14 Precious baby Douglas Paul Milo Jr. was taken from us suddenly and unexpectedly to return to heaven and his creator on August 13th, 2014. But before he crossed over, baby Dougie gave his heart to save another Angel. Cherished and loved, he was sadly missed by his mommy and daddy, Chantelle and Doug Milo Sr., his siblings, Seth Milo, Cody, Cole and Carleigh Hilmayer, his grandparents, Lisa (Denise) and Rob Schram, Robert Milo, and the late Sharlene Milo, great grandparents Ray and Dorothy Denure as well as many aunts, uncles and cousins. **WILLIAMS FUNERAL SERVICES**, 722 Ridge Rd., N, Ridgeway entrusted with arrangements. A memorial service will be held in the Williams Chapel on Monday, August 25, 2014 at 11 am. Internment will follow at Pleasantview Memorial Gardens. Many thanks for the love and support from all the doctors, nurses and counselors at both McMaster Hospital and the Ronald McDonald House and Williams Funeral Home. Donations will be greatly appreciated for the Ronald McDonald House in Hamilton.

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